

opportunity to see the National World War II Memorial, which honors their service and sacrifice.

This final Honor Flight begins at dawn when the veterans will gather at historic Fort Whiting in Mobile and travel to Mobile Regional Airport to board a chartered flight to Washington. During their time in their nation's capital, the veterans will visit the World War II Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, and other memorials.

The veterans will return to Mobile Regional Airport that evening, where some 1,000 people are expected to greet them.

Mr. Speaker, the May 8, 2013, journey of heroes from South Alabama is an appropriate time for us to pause and thank them—and all of the soldiers who fought in World War II. They collectively—and literally—saved the world. They personify the very best America has to offer, and I urge my colleagues to take a moment to pay tribute to their selfless devotion to our country and the freedoms we enjoy.

I salute each of the veterans who made the trip to Washington. May we never forget their valiant deeds and tremendous sacrifices:

Bill Addis; Bill Audrain; George Baker; Joe Befay; Benny Bender; Jerry Bernhardt; Bill Bidez; K.E. Bray; Tommy Breedlove; Bern Brunegriff; George Bryan; Don Burch; Bob Campbell, Sr.; Homer F. Campbell, Sr.; Regie Carpenter; Giles Chapman, Jr.; Ted Christakos; Ed Clapper; John Coleman; Frank Coleman.

Bill Collins, Sr.; Emmett Cox; Jack Davis; John Dodd; Wyman Dupuis; Harry Ellegood; Bill Evers; Bob Ewer; Wes Ferrill; James Forte; William Fountain; Aubrey Fulford; Norm Garlotte; Joe Godwin; Red Guy; Sid Hamilton; John Hampton; Dean Hansen; J.C. Harris, Jr.; Vida Hartfield.

Dick Havron; Robert Hedgepeth; Morris Helms; Dorsey Henderson; Jim Hill; E.R. Holt; L.V. Horne; Dixie Howell; Joe Jones; Joseph Jones; Leon Jones; John Kane; Hilda Kay; Kuhlke Kuhlmann; Will Lambert, Sr.; Herb Law, Jr.; Bo Lewis, Jr.; John Littlepage; Edward Mahon; Ken Main.

Bob Maley; L.C. Malone; Fred Mason; Wild Bill Mathers, Sr.; Duke McCall; Chuck McDonald; Albert McFadden; John C. McFerrin; Nute McLain; Ralph McLaney; Bob McLeod; Mac McRae; Caylop Minchew; Sparks Morris; Maurice Neely; Don Nelson; Lewis Nichols; Jack Nolan, Sr.; Dick Nolte, Sr.; Don Palmer.

Gene Passmore; Bill Phillips; William Rentz; Win Ritchie; Don Roberts; Porter Roberts, Jr.; Jerry Ryals; Tom Shackelford; Herman Shaddix; Terry Shiver; Gene Sorik; Capt. Les Stinson; Steve Thames; Howard Walker, Jr.; Willie Wilson; Doc Wise; Dutch Yon; Marion Yonge; and Robert Johnson, Jr.

A TRIBUTE TO DUPONT PIONEER

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate DuPont Pioneer, based in Johnston, Iowa, for being named a winner of the 2013 Patents for Humanity pilot program by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). The Patents for Humanity competition awards patent owners

and licensees who address the world's most daunting humanitarian challenges in innovative ways.

DuPont Pioneer was selected for this prestigious award for its collaborative research and work to increase the nutritional value of sorghum for a growing African population that relies on the food crop as a dietary staple. While affordable and easy to grow in dry, fragile environments, sorghum is deficient in essential nutrients like amino acids, Vitamins A and E, iron, and zinc, and is difficult to digest when cooked. Working through the Africa Biofortified Sorghum Project, a public-private partner consortium, DuPont developed a more nutrient-rich strain of sorghum that is expected to combat malnourishment and benefit millions of Africans in the years ahead.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent DuPont Pioneer in the United States Congress as it continues to work to help feed the world. I commend the company on this tremendous breakthrough that will go to great lengths to improving food security in Africa, and I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating it on receiving this impressive recognition for its efforts.

FORT WOLTERS MEDAL OF HONOR MEMORIAL

HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Fort Wolters Gate Committee, the service members at Fort Wolters, and the community of Mineral Wells, Texas on the dedication of the Ft Wolters Medal of Honor Memorial. On March 23, 2013, they came together to help honor some of our nation's greatest men and ensure the legacy of their service will never be forgotten.

The Medal of Honor Memorial lies at the heart of the quiet Fort Wolters Historical Park near the main entrance of Fort Wolters. This memorial is composed of stone columns with the fourteen names of the Medal of Honor recipients who trained at Wolters inscribed upon them. These inscriptions tell the stories of men who found themselves in defining moments and responded exceptionally. The following names are those who passed through Wolters as part of their journey to those moments:

1st LT Charles L. Thomas; Birmingham, AL.; 1st Lt Eli L. Whitely; Georgetown, TX; 2nd Lt Audie L. Murphy; Kingston, TX; 1st Lt Jack L. Knight; Garner, TX; SSG Edward A. Carter, Jr.; Los Angeles, CA; 1st Lt Vernon Baker; Cheyenne, WY; 1st Lt James M. Sprayberry; LaGrange, GA; CWO Michael J. Novosel; Etna, PA; MAJ Patrick H. (Pat) Brady; Philip, SD; CWO Frederick E. Ferguson; Pilot Point, TX; CPT Jon E. Swanson; Boulder, CO; MAJ William E. Adams; Casper, WY; CPT Ed (Too Tall) Freeman; Neely, MS; SSG Joe R. Hooper; Louisville, KY.

These fourteen men came from different eras, regions, and backgrounds, but are all connected through a common story. Their stories of duty, honor, sacrifice, and love represent an important part of the American story.

The love of their country and their families brought them to Mineral Wells, but the love for their brothers in arms drove their momentous

actions. When these men met their defining moments they acted with valor and courage and have been recognized with the nation's highest military award: the Medal of Honor.

We are blessed to live in a country with individuals like the ones honored here. Their actions embody our nation's greatest ideals. They proceeded without hesitation to put their country's needs, and more importantly, the lives of the men around them, before their own. We remember them for their meritorious acts of courage and heroism, even though they knew it could cost them their lives.

The memorial in Fort Wolters Historical Park will serve to inspire and teach future generations of duty, honor, and sacrifice. It will serve the families that loved these men as a place to remember their stories and celebrate their lives and achievements.

Again, I would like to thank the volunteers and people of Mineral Wells who worked tirelessly to build this memorial and our veterans and service members whom we owe a debt that can never be repaid.

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE CONGRESS LEADS BY EXAMPLE ACT OF 2013

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the Congress Leads by Example Act of 2013, to subject Congress and the rest of the legislative branch to the federal workplace laws and standards that protect employees in the private sector and the executive branch. In a similar vein, a few weeks ago, I introduced the Member of Congress Pay Sequestration and Fairness Act, which would subject the pay of members of the House and Senate to any future sequestration, or automatic, across-the-board spending cuts. While members of Congress may differ on the merits of sequestration, once Congress passes laws, members should abide by the laws we impose on the American people and American businesses. That was the promise Congress made when we passed the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (CAA).

The CAA was an important first step in making the legislative branch accountable to its employees, but it did not finish the job. The CAA did bring the legislative branch under 13 major civil rights, labor and workplace safety and health laws, but it exempted the legislative branch from important notice and training provisions, and altogether omitted important substantive and administrative protections.

The Congress Leads by Example Act of 2013 is a necessary follow up bill to my 2010 investigation of staff complaints at the Capitol Visitor Center

(CVC) and to the recommendations from the Office of Compliance (OOC), which found a gap in OOC's authority to enforce the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA) provisions against the legislative branch. In the 111th Congress, as chair of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure's Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, I held a hearing examining claims by OOC, which was created by the CAA, of an